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## Drug Policy Information Clearinghouse

## Bloomington, Minnesota

Profile of Drug Indicators

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### **Bloomington, MN**

The following profile contains information on demographics, political figures, programs, crime, drug use, drug trafficking, and enforcement statistics.

#### **Demographics**

- Population: 88,375 (1998 estimate); 86,335 (1990 Census)<sup>1</sup>
- Race/Ethnicity (1990): 94.7% white; 3.1% Asian/Pacific Islander; 1.6% black; 0.9% Hispanic; 0.3% American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut; 0.3% other race.<sup>2</sup>
- ➤ County: Hennepin<sup>3</sup>
- Population of Hennepin County: 1,064,419 (1999 estimate); 1,032,431 1990 Census)<sup>4</sup>
- ➤ Race/Ethnicity of Hennepin County: 89.3% white; 5.8% black; 1.4% American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut; 2.9% Asian/Pacific Islander; 0.5% other; 1.4% Hispanic<sup>5</sup>

#### Politics<sup>6</sup>

- Mayor: Gene Winstead
- ➤ City Council Members: Steve Bianchi; Mike Fossum; Steve Peterson; Heather Harden; Alisa Ornat; Vern Wilcox

#### **Programs/Initiatives**

- ➤ Bloomington Crime Free Multi-Housing Program<sup>7</sup>
  This program is a partnership between the Bloomington Police Department, rental property owners/managers, and tenants. The purpose is to provide a safer living environment, and reduce crime and nuisance problems in rental properties.
- Community Prevention Coalition of Hennepin County (CPC)<sup>8</sup>
  CPC is a coalition of more than 100 agencies and organizations providing a wide variety of programs and services related to the prevention of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use problems.

### **Crime and Drug-Related Crime**<sup>9</sup>

- ➤ In 1998, there were 5,171 crime index offenses known to the police in Bloomington.
- $\triangleright$  The majority of these offenses (4,176) were larceny-theft offenses.

#### Offenses Known to Police, Bloomington, MN, 1998

Offense Type	# of Offenses
Murder/Non-negligent Manslaughter	1
Forcible Rape	38
Robbery	67
Aggravated Assault	95
Burglary	449
Larceny-theft	4,176
Motor Vehicle Theft	329
Arson	16
Modified Crime Index Total	5,171

#### Juveniles

➤ In Bloomington, 11% of 12th graders, 10% of 9<sup>th</sup> graders, and 9% of 6<sup>th</sup> graders surveyed in 1998 reported drug-related problems in their families. <sup>10</sup>

#### Enforcement

- The Bloomington Police Department is made up of a total of 104 officers. 11
- ➤ Currently, 55 of these officers, including four canine officers and three traffic officers, are assigned to the Patrol Division of this police department. These officers are responsible for the Patrol Division, which is divided into five areas. <sup>12</sup>

 $\underline{http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us/cityhall/dept/police/specops/crimprev/crimprev.htm\#housing}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> City of Bloomington Web site: http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Hennepin County Web site: <a href="http://www.co.hennepin.mn.us">http://www.co.hennepin.mn.us</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Census Web site: http://www.census.gov

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> City of Bloomington Web site: <a href="http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us">http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Bloomington Police Department, crime prevention programs:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Hennepin County Community Health Department, *Hennepin County Resources: Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug Use Prevention*: <a href="http://www.co.hennepin.mn.us/commhlth/chpubs/resource.pdf">http://www.co.hennepin.mn.us/commhlth/chpubs/resource.pdf</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> FBI, Crime in the United States: Uniform Crime Reports, 1998, October 1999: http://www.fbi.gov/ucr

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Bloomington Health Division, *Risks and Realities of Violence in Bloomington, Special Report: Youth Violence*: <a href="http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us/cityhall/dept/commserv/publheal/reports/violence/viofigur.htm">http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us/cityhall/dept/commserv/publheal/reports/violence/viofigur.htm</a>

<sup>11</sup> City of Bloomington Police Department Web site:

http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us/cityhall/dept/police/poadmin/admin/admin.htm <sup>12</sup> Ibid.

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